

Scrap Sculpture

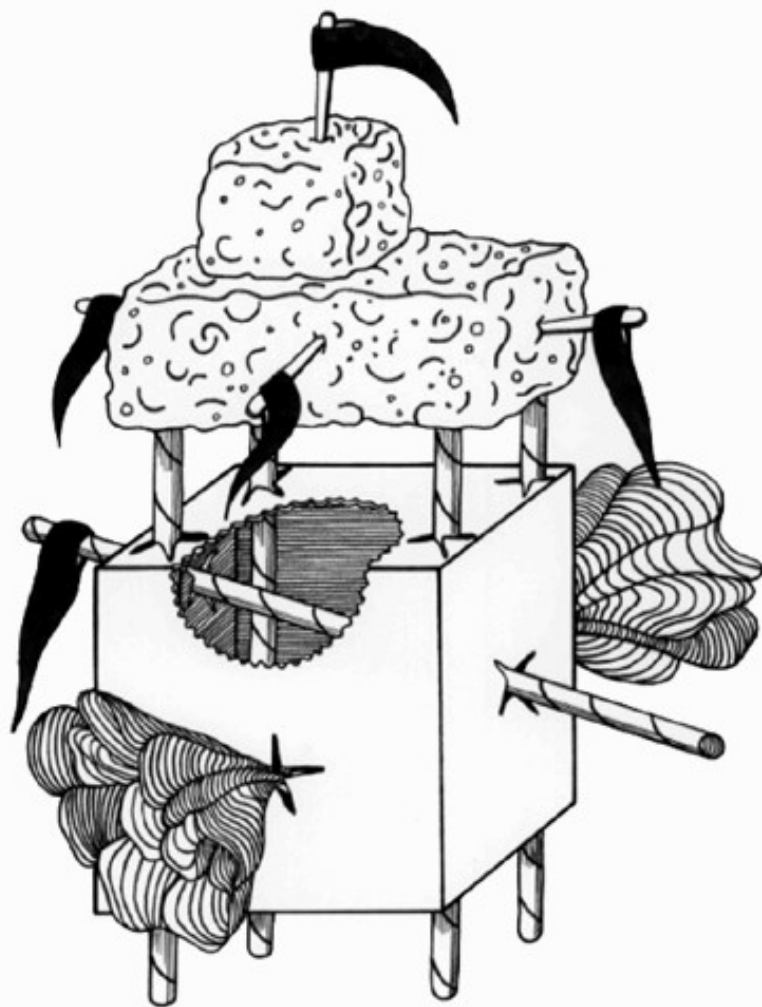
Description:

Children will create a sculpture from objects found around the house.

Materials:

objects such as tissue boxes, sponges, straws, and bottle caps; glue

Optional: paints, paintbrushes, water and containers



Standards: 1 and 2

Concepts: Form and shape

Level: K-3

Procedure:

Encourage your child to look at items in the recycle bin and think about what could be made with them. Then have her take the things in the recycle bin, arrange them in a pleasing way, and glue them together to make a wild and wacky sculpture. When the sculpture is finished, your child might want to paint it and give it a title.

Extension:

Look at the work of folk artists. Folk artists often use whatever they have on hand to create works of art. Some take bottle caps and string them together to make wonderful art. Others take old bits of wood and paint them to look bright and beautiful.

Just for Kids:

Sculpture is three-dimensional: it has length, width, and depth. Some artists make sculptures from materials they find outdoors, in the recycle bin, or in the trash. Can you make something wonderful using objects from the recycle bin? I'll bet you can!

Resources:

A great resource for folk art is <http://folkart.about.com>.